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1. FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THIS YEAR' EDITION OF THE HIGHLY
SUCCESSFUL SHAHBAZ SERIES OF EXERCISES, WE PUT OUR HEADS TOGETHER
WITHIN THE MISSION TO EXAMINE THE RESULTS OF THE EXERCISE AS WELL AS
THE PROBLEMS WE HAD DURING ITS EXECUTION, IN HOPES OF BEING ABLE TO
MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH WOULD HELP TO MAKE THE NEXT ITERATION EVEN
MORE SUCCESSFUL THAN THE ONE JUST CONCLUDED.

2. WE WOULD ADD THAT GIVEN RECENT EVENTS IN KABUL, EXERCISES OF THE
TYPE REPRESENTED BY SHAHBAZ (AND MIDLINK AND DOOST) WHICH ARE THE
ONLY REAL MANIFESTATION OF US MILITARY SUPPORT KBR THE CENTO ORGANI-
ZATION WHICH OUR CLIENTS SEE HERE IN THEIR OWN BALL PARK -- WILL
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PROBABLY ASSUME EVEN GREATER IMPORTANCE IN THE EYES OF THE PAKISTAN
GOVERNMENT AS A MEASURE OF OUR SUPPORT AGAINST A NEW AND POTENTIALLY
MORE DICICULT SECURITY SITUATION NOW DIRECTLY ON PAKISTAN'S NORTH-
WESTERN BORDER.

3. IN OUR PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR'S SHAHBAZ EXERCISE, THE MISSION
INTENDS TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES IN ITS INTERNAL HANDLING OF

EXERCISE ARRANGEMENTS:

A. EXERCISE CONTACT OFFICER (KARACHI): PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE EXERCISE ITSELF, WE WILL REQUEST AMCONSUL KARACHI TO DESIGNATE ONE OFFICER AT THE FSO-4/FSO-3 LEVEL AS EXERCISE CONTACT OFFICER WITHIN

THE KARACHI CONSULATE FOR ALL EXERCISE-RELATED ACTIVITIES. HE WILL, OF COURSE, HAVE THE CAPABILITY TO DRAW ON CONSULATE SUPPORT FACILITIES,

AS AVAILABLE, TO ASSIST DURING THE EXERCISE AND THE PRE-EXERCISE PERIOD.

B. MISSION EXERCISE COORDINATION (ISLAMABAD AND KARCHI): WE WILL REQUEST ODRP IN ISLAMABAD TO DESIGNATE ONE OFFICER -- PREFERABLY AT THE

O-5 LEVEL -- AS MISSION EXERCISE COORDINATOR.

1) THIS OFFICER WILL REMAIN IN ISLAMABAD TO HANDLE THE DISCUSSIONS AND ARRANGEMENTS WHICH MUST BE MADE HERE AT THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT BEFORE THE EXERCISE BEGINS, AND HE WILL WORK WITH THE EXERCISE CONTACT OFFICER IN KARACHI ON ALL MATTERS AFFECTING THE CONSULATE'S SUPPORT OF THESE EXERCISE ARRANGEMENTS.

2) DURING THE VISIT TO PAKISTAN OF THE EXERCISE ADVANCE PARTY AND ABOUT SEVEN DAYS BEFORE THE START OF EXERCISE, WE WILL DIRECT THE MISSION EXERCISE COORDINATOR TO SHIFT HIS OPERATIONS TO THE CONSULATE PREMISES IN KARACHI TO ENSURE THAT HE IS ON THE SCENE DURING THE ACTUAL EXERCISE EVOLUTION TO ASSIST IN LIAISON WITH THE PARTICIPATING UNITS, THE PAKISTAN ARMED FORCES, AND THE CONSULATE EXERCISE CONTACT OFFICER.

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C. DESIGNATION OF EACH OF THESE OFFICERS WOULD TAKE PLACE IN A MESSAGE TO ALL CONCERNED.

4. WE HAVE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS TO USCINCEUR AND CINCUSAFE ABOUT MATTERS NORMALLY UNDER THEIR CONTROL WHERE WE SENSE THE NEED FOR IMPROVEMENT/HELP/UNDERSTANDING:

A. POINT OF CONTACT: WE NEED THE FORMAL DESIGNATION OF A SINGLE EXERCISE COORDINATOR OUTSIDE OF PAKISTAN TO WHOM WE CAN TURN TO IRON OUT PROBLEMS OUTSIDE OF COUNTRY AS THEY ARISE; WE ARE SIMPLY NOT COMPETENT TO SORT OUT RELATIONSHIPS WHEN WE HAVE A PROBLEM INVOLVING SEVERAL DIFFERENT MILITARY COMMANDS OUTSIDE OF PAKISTAN.

B. IN-COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVE: THAT POINT OF CONTACT (OR COMMAND AUTHORITY) SHOULD HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE WHO NOT ONLY COMES TO PAKISTAN

DURING THE PRE-EXERCISE VISIT OF AN ADVANCE PARTY BUT STAYS ON CONTIN-

UOUSLY IN THE KARACHI AREA UNTIL THE EXERCISE IS OVER -- INCLUDING ULTIMATELY THE LIQUIDATION OF ACCOUNTS. WITH LARGE EXTRAORDINARY MILITARY PRESENCE TEMPORARILY IN COUNTRY, RESPONSIBLE TO VARIOUS MILITARY COMMANDS OUTSIDE OF COUNTRY, THIS DEGREE OF CONTINUITY DURING THE ENTIRE EXERCISE PERIOD IS ESSENTIAL.

C. PROPER MESSAGE ADDRESSEES: WE WILL NEED TO ENSURE

THAT ALL TRAFFIC TRANSMITTED TO THE USMISSION IN PAKISTAN DURING THE PRE-EXERCISE PERIOD AND DURING THE EXERCISE ITSELF IS ADDRESSED TO THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN ISLAMABAD FOR ACTION AND THE AMERICAN CONSULATE IN KARACHI FOR INFO. ISLAMABAD IS WHERE THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT IS AND THIS IS WHERE THE NEGOTIATIONS ON DUTY-FREE ENTRY AND PASSPORT/VISA MATTERS MUST BE CONDUCTED; WE WILL REASSIGN ACTION TO KARACHI AS NECESSARY.

D. CONSULAR QUESTIONS: WE WANT TO ENSURE, THROUGH OUR DIALOGUE DURING THE PRE-EXERCISE PERIOD, THAT ALL THOSE COMMANDS AND COMPONENTS

INVOLVED IN THE EXERCISE UNDERSTAND THE NEED FOR PASSPORTS AND VISAS, ETC. FOR PERSONNEL WHO WILL BE ENTERING ONTO PAKISTANI SOIL DURING THE

EXERCISE; THIS IS IMPORTANT TO AVOID A LOT OF WASTED-TIME ROUNDTRIPS
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FOR PERSONNEL ARRIVING WITHOUT PROPER DOCUMENTATION AND LOT OF SPECIAL

PLEADING AND FRICTION WITH PAKISTANI AUTHORITIES DURING THE EXERCISE.

E. FUNDING: FINALLY, WE RECOMMEND THAT FUNDING BE SET ASIDE WITHIN THE EXERCISE BUDGET TO COVER THE COSTS OF THE TDY AND TRAVEL OF THE ODRP OFFICER ASSIGNED AS MISSION EXERCISE COORDINATOR TO AND FROM KARACHI JUST AS IT IS TO COVER THE COSE OF CAR RENTAL, ET;; ODRP'S PERSONNEL AND FINANCIAL LIMITATIONS NO LONGER PERMIT IT TO SUSTAIN THESE COSTS ON A REGULAR BASIS.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: YOUR COMMENTS, YOUR SUGGESTIONS, AND HOPEFULLY YOUR AGREEMENT ARE SOLICITED. HUMMEL

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